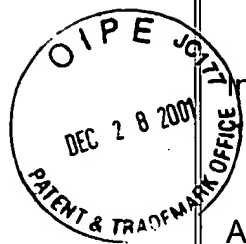


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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Applicants hereby petition for a four-month extension of time to reply to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application of June 28, 2001. A fee payment of \$1,440.00 is enclosed.

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge any additional required fees to our deposit account no. 06-0916.

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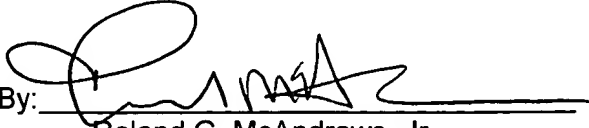
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